

**Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In the Matter of)	
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Implementation of the Satellite Home Viewer)	
Extension and Reauthorization Act of 2004)	MB Docket No. 05-49
)	
Implementation of Section 340 of the)	
Communications Act)	
To:	The Commission	

MOTION TO EXCEED PAGE LIMITATION

Pursuant to Section 1.48(b) of the rules of the Federal Communications Commission (“Commission”),¹ DIRECTV, Inc. (“DIRECTV”) and EchoStar Satellite LLC (“EchoStar”) jointly request permission to exceed the page limitation set forth in Section 1.429(g) of the Commission’s rules applicable to replies to oppositions to petitions for reconsideration.² On March 2, 2006, the National Association of Broadcasters and the ABC, CBS, FBC, and NBC Television Affiliate Associations filed a Joint Opposition (the “Joint Opposition”) to DIRECTV and EchoStar’s Petition for Reconsideration (the “Petition”) filed in the above captioned proceeding.³ Also on March 2, 2006, Saga Broadcasting, LLC and Saga Quad States Communications, LLC filed an opposition (the “Saga Petition”) to the Petition.⁴ Rather than responding to the Joint Opposition and the Saga Opposition separately, DIRECTV and EchoStar

¹ 47 C.F.R. § 1.48(b).

² See 47 C.F.R. § 1.429(g).

³ See Joint Opposition of the National Association of Broadcasters and of the ABC, CBS, FBC, and NBC Television Affiliate Associations to Petition for Reconsideration, MB Docket No. 05-49 (filed Mar. 2, 2006).

⁴ See Opposition to Petition for Reconsideration of Saga Broadcasting, LLC and Saga Quad States Communications, LLC, MB Docket No. 05-49 (filed Mar. 2, 2006).

are filing a Consolidated Reply to both oppositions in this proceeding today. The Consolidated Reply of DIRECTV and EchoStar slightly exceeds the ten-page limitation applicable to replies to oppositions to petitions for reconsideration.

Good cause exists for granting this motion. The Joint Opposition and the Saga Opposition contain numerous factual and legal assertions that are inaccurate, each of which compels a response from DIRECTV and EchoStar. In addition, the Consolidated Reply allows DIRECTV and EchoStar to organize their arguments in a manner that eliminates any duplication, thereby facilitating the Commission's review of the issues and minimizing the burden on the Commission and all parties to this proceeding. Accordingly, in the interest of maintaining a complete and accurate record in this proceeding while minimizing duplicative filings, DIRECTV and EchoStar request that the Commission accept the Consolidated Reply notwithstanding that it exceeds ten pages.

Respectfully submitted,

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